



Executive Department  
State of Idaho

*The Office of the Governor*  
**Proclamation**

State Capitol  
Boise

*WHEREAS, protecting the health of Americans includes providing every citizen with access to safe and effective health care; and*

*WHEREAS, infection prevention and control professionals are devoted to patient and healthcare worker safety and are committed to reducing the risk and occurrence of healthcare-associated infections; and*

*WHEREAS, prevention of healthcare-associated infections is instrumental in achieving this goal; and*

*WHEREAS, every year, more than 800 million Americans visit their physicians and more than 33 million are admitted to hospitals, with many undergoing medical procedures that have a risk of infectious complications; and*

*WHEREAS, healthcare-associated infections increase morbidity and mortality and add a significant financial burden to the cost of health care; and*

*WHEREAS, the Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology (APIC), representing more than 11,000 infection prevention and control professionals, sponsors International Infection Prevention Week with this year's theme being "International Infection Prevention Week: It's In Your Hands,";*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim October 14-20, 2007, to be*

**INTERNATIONAL INFECTION PREVENTION WEEK**

*in Idaho.*



*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at Boise, Idaho, on this 2nd day of October in the year of our Lord two-thousand and seven and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-second and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred eighteenth.*

A blue ink signature of C.L. "Butch" Otter is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER  
GOVERNOR

A blue ink signature of Ben Ysursa is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and cursive.

BEN YSURSA  
SECRETARY OF STATE